

Application number 10/603,888
Amendment dated March 14, 2007
Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 Expedited Procedure
Examining Group 2113

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

After entry of this amendment, claims 1-28, 30, and 33-40 will remain pending in this application. Claims 29, 31, and 32 have been cancelled.

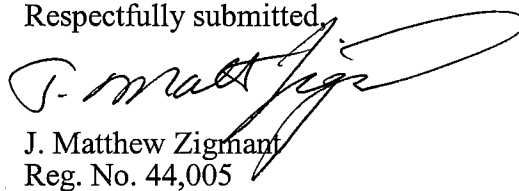
Claims 30 and 33-35 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Accordingly, claims 30 and 33 have been rewritten as independent claims. Claims 29, and 31 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Wyland (USPN 6931466B2) (Wyland). Claim 32 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Wyland in view of Bocchino (USPN 6208162B1) (Bocchino). These rejections have been obviated by the cancellation of claims 29, 31, and 32.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

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